

Percent Change in U. S. Welfare Caseload By State ^{a/, b/, c/} January 2001 - January 2006

| | 1/1/2001 ^{d/} | 1/1/2002 ^{e/} | 1/1/2003 ^{f/} | 1/1/2004 ^{g/} | 1/1/2005 ^{h/} | 1/1/2006 ^{i/} | Jan-05 to Jan-06 % Change | Jan-01 to Jan-06 % Change |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| U.S. Total | 2,210,675 | 2,214,703 | 2,176,290 | 2,152,577 | 2,116,864 | 1,993,154 | -6% | -10% |
| Alabama | 18,798 | 18,623 | 18,839 | 19,394 | 20,953 | 20,055 | -4% | 7% |
| Alaska | 5,910 | 6,204 | 5,415 | 5,039 | 4,779 | 3,686 | -23% | -38% |
| Arizona | 32,227 | 38,741 | 46,570 | 51,183 | 44,713 | 40,678 | -9% | 26% |
| Arkansas | 11,084 | 12,236 | 11,500 | 10,424 | 9,081 | 8,208 | -10% | -26% |
| California ^{j/} | 517,592 | 503,738 | 480,610 | 480,092 | 491,813 | 476,310 | -3% | -8% |
| Colorado | 10,618 | 11,924 | 13,077 | 14,676 | 15,360 | 15,347 | 0% | 45% |
| Connecticut | 27,937 | 26,215 | 24,552 | 24,775 | 24,487 | 22,475 | -8% | -20% |
| Delaware | 5,543 | 5,533 | 5,725 | 5,729 | 5,794 | 5,775 | 0% | 4% |
| Dist. of Col. | 16,493 | 16,416 | 16,908 | 17,482 | 17,438 | 16,048 | -8% | -3% |
| Florida | 62,451 | 62,768 | 61,869 | 60,745 | 65,468 | 57,064 | -13% | -9% |
| Georgia | 51,516 | 55,206 | 57,551 | 57,328 | 44,510 | 34,156 | -23% | -34% |
| Guam | 2,764 | 3,078 | 3,078 | 3,078 | 3,078 | 3,078 | 0% | 11% |
| Hawaii | 18,932 | 16,277 | 13,888 | 12,476 | 11,405 | 9,653 | -15% | -49% |
| Idaho | 1,302 | 1,373 | 1,665 | 1,868 | 1,897 | 1,821 | -4% | 40% |
| Illinois | 64,365 | 51,115 | 39,362 | 36,070 | 40,118 | 39,146 | -2% | -39% |
| Indiana | 40,839 | 50,535 | 56,606 | 54,367 | 51,484 | 50,156 | -3% | 23% |
| Iowa | 21,310 | 21,815 | 22,193 | 22,668 | 22,329 | 21,909 | -2% | 3% |
| Kansas | 12,878 | 13,884 | 14,970 | 16,429 | 17,673 | 17,378 | -2% | 35% |
| Kentucky | 36,637 | 35,314 | 35,128 | 35,664 | 35,242 | 33,544 | -5% | -8% |
| Louisiana | 25,953 | 24,626 | 23,154 | 19,596 | 16,731 | 12,098 | -28% | -53% |
| Maine | 11,324 | 11,331 | 10,535 | 10,870 | 11,442 | 11,258 | -2% | -1% |
| Maryland | 29,482 | 29,627 | 28,957 | 28,150 | 26,788 | 23,946 | -11% | -19% |
| Massachusetts | 42,930 | 47,521 | 49,409 | 49,753 | 48,847 | 47,855 | -2% | 11% |
| Michigan | 68,904 | 77,163 | 73,403 | 78,764 | 80,771 | 81,278 | 1% | 18% |
| Minnesota | 38,087 | 39,015 | 41,281 | 39,733 | 32,809 | 30,725 | -6% | -19% |
| Mississippi | 15,192 | 17,283 | 20,095 | 19,474 | 16,876 | 14,180 | -16% | -7% |
| Missouri | 50,646 | 50,483 | 47,119 | 48,298 | 47,346 | 45,425 | -4% | -10% |
| Montana | 4,754 | 5,887 | 6,404 | 5,374 | 4,759 | 3,970 | -17% | -16% |
| Nebraska | 10,294 | 11,408 | 12,222 | 12,362 | 11,885 | 13,060 | 10% | 27% |
| Nevada | 6,983 | 11,532 | 11,917 | 9,955 | 8,198 | 7,217 | -12% | 3% |
| New Hampshire | 5,616 | 6,016 | 6,229 | 6,271 | 6,263 | 6,311 | 1% | 12% |
| New Jersey | 47,905 | 44,263 | 43,714 | 45,524 | 48,114 | 43,731 | -9% | -9% |
| New Mexico | 19,598 | 17,569 | 16,660 | 17,414 | 17,940 | 17,471 | -3% | -11% |
| New York | 232,682 | 208,416 | 196,513 | 196,036 | 192,774 | 182,896 | -5% | -21% |
| North Carolina | 44,765 | 44,688 | 41,063 | 38,164 | 35,434 | 31,189 | -12% | -30% |
| North Dakota | 2,958 | 3,227 | 3,433 | 3,135 | 2,902 | 2,753 | -5% | -7% |
| Ohio | 86,483 | 85,806 | 84,805 | 85,030 | 84,383 | 80,583 | -5% | -7% |
| Oklahoma | 14,752 | 15,291 | 15,674 | 14,529 | 12,349 | 9,968 | -19% | -32% |
| Oregon | 16,245 | 18,332 | 19,136 | 18,407 | 20,124 | 20,165 | 0% | 24% |
| Pennsylvania | 83,489 | 81,863 | 80,123 | 85,615 | 96,289 | 96,547 | 0% | 16% |
| Puerto Rico | 26,162 | 24,909 | 19,235 | 18,108 | 15,548 | 14,637 | -6% | -44% |
| Rhode Island | 16,615 | 16,125 | 15,204 | 14,591 | 13,433 | 12,565 | -6% | -24% |
| South Carolina | 18,338 | 21,948 | 22,113 | 19,474 | 18,646 | 18,361 | -2% | 0% |
| South Dakota | 2,772 | 2,937 | 2,859 | 2,785 | 2,802 | 2,865 | 2% | 3% |
| Tennessee | 59,318 | 63,335 | 68,573 | 73,021 | 73,032 | 70,601 | -3% | 19% |
| Texas | 133,539 | 140,305 | 143,342 | 115,657 | 96,499 | 77,072 | -20% | -42% |
| Utah | 7,617 | 7,915 | 8,532 | 9,053 | 9,235 | 8,020 | -13% | 5% |
| Vermont | 5,609 | 5,460 | 5,323 | 5,248 | 5,011 | 4,792 | -4% | -15% |
| Virgin Islands | 762 | 643 | 456 | 548 | 490 | 428 | -13% | -44% |
| Virginia | 30,230 | 30,966 | 32,084 | 34,926 | 36,561 | 35,686 | -2% | 18% |
| Washington | 58,541 | 61,364 | 60,494 | 57,844 | 59,851 | 58,298 | -3% | 0% |
| West Virginia | 14,627 | 16,361 | 15,744 | 16,391 | 13,451 | 12,061 | -10% | -18% |
| Wisconsin | 17,761 | 19,597 | 20,543 | 22,620 | 21,330 | 18,356 | -14% | 3% |
| Wyoming | 546 | 496 | 436 | 370 | 329 | 299 | -9% | -45% |

a/ Source: The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Family Assistance website, April 2, 2007.

b/ Data includes caseload information from states with a "Separate State" programs (SSP), as reported to DHHS

c/ Italicized states either do not have a SSP or had not yet reported any SSP cases to DHHS for some or all time periods.

d/ Last Updated on 11/3/2005 by Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

e/ Last Updated on 8/30/2004 by Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

f/ Last Updated on 3/10/2005 by Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

g/ Last Updated on 3/7/2006 by Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

h/ Last Updated on 5/15/2006 by Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

i/ Last Updated on 8/1/2006 by Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

j/ Source for California's caseload data: Monthly CA 237 CW Reports, January, each year.